

# Small Group Discussion Questions

Series: Rhythms: Prayer

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Memory Verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

*The goal of these questions is to foster meaningful discussion and to encourage participants to reflect on God's Word to lead to heart transformation. Feel free to modify or expand upon these questions based on the dynamics and needs of your Small Group.*

**Big Idea:** A new song of adoration for His Word, His faithfulness, His righteousness, and His love.

- Share an honest assessment of how often you pray. What prompts you to pray? What do you typically pray about/for? As we enter into a four-week series on prayer, in what ways do you hope to grow?

## Read Psalms 33

- Using the acronym ACTS is one approach to prayer. The 'A' stands for Adoration. When you pray, how much time is spent giving God praise? If giving God praise is not part of your regular prayer habit, why do you think it is absent?
- The Psalmist says to sing a "new song" that acknowledges God's present work. How do you stay attuned to what God is doing in your life, the lives of others, within our church body, and beyond? Is it easier for you to identify how God has/is moving in your own life or the lives of others?
- We adore God for His powerful Word (v.3, 6-8). God is sovereign and His Word is always accomplished. Compare/contrast the power of God's Words with our own. What are some examples from the Bible that show the power of God's Word?



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Where have you seen the transformative power of God's Word active today?

- We adore God for His faithful works (v.4, 10-12). In what areas of your life do you struggle to fully trust in God's faithfulness? How can the group support each other in growing in trust and reliance on God in those specific areas? How does a deep understanding of God's faithfulness and sovereignty inspire your worship and expressions of gratitude?
- We adore God for His righteous supervision (v.5, 13-14). Consider a recent situation in your life. How might your perspective and feelings change if you remembered that God sees and understands all aspects of it? If this thought was at the forefront of your mind, do you think it would affect your behavior? Why or why not?
- We adore God for His loyal love (v.5, 16-22). Share examples of how you've experienced God's love through the actions of others and how we can replicate those actions in our small group. What are some practical ways we can respond in gratitude and obedience to God's loyal love? How can we, as a small group, support and encourage one another in living out a response to God's loyal love?
- As we focus on the rhythm of prayer in January, will you consider joining those who have inked their name on the prayer board on Main Street, committing to pray during a section of time for our 501 Prayer Project? The purpose of this project is not to check a box and brag about filling every slot, but to challenge us to take a step in our faith and stretch ourselves. To accept the challenge, you can sign up on the prayer board found on Main Street OR find an empty spot [here](#) then email Andrew Boone at Andrew.Boone@ncbc.church to fill you in.



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